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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Regional Administrators

Regions I-X

Recovery Division Directors Response Division Directors

Assistant Administrator, Field Operations Directorate

Federal Coordinating Officers

Joint Field Offices

FROM:

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Assistant Administrator Recovery Directorate

SUBJECT:

Adjustment of the Public Assistance Program's

Countywide Per Capita Impact Indicator

Attached for your information and dissemination, is a copy of the Federal Register Notice, announcing the annual Consumer Price Index (CPI) adjustment of the countywide per capita impact indicator under the Public Assistance program. In assessing damages for area designations under 44 CFR 206.40(b), FEMA uses a countywide per capita indicator to evaluate the impact of the disaster at the county level. The countywide per capita indicator is adjusted to reflect the annual change in the CPI for all Urban Consumers published by the Department of Labor.

Effective October 1, 2019, the countywide per capita indicator is \$3.84, which reflects an increase in the CPI of 1.7 percent for the 12-month period that ended in August 2019.

This change applies to all disasters declared on or after October 1, 2019. Please ensure that all members of your staff are aware of this change and its applicability.

Attachment

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Docket ID FEMA-2019-0001]

Notice of Adjustment of Countywide Per Capita Impact
Indicator

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: FEMA gives notice that the countywide per capita impact indicator under the Public Assistance program for disasters declared on or after October 1, 2019, will be increased.

DATE: This adjustment applies to major disasters declared on or after October 1, 2019.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tod Wells, Recovery Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-3834. SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In assessing damages for area designations under 44 CFR 206.40(b), FEMA uses a countywide per capita indicator to evaluate the impact of the disaster at the county level. FEMA will adjust the countywide per capita impact indicator under the Public Assistance program to reflect annual changes in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers published by the Department of Labor.

FEMA gives notice of an increase in the countywide per capita impact indicator to \$3.84 for all disasters declared on or after October 1, 2019.

FEMA bases the adjustment on an increase in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers of 1.7 percent for the 12-month period that ended in August 2019. The Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor released the information on September 12, 2019.

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 97.036, Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters).

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